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From: Tara Bautista [tara_btst@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2006 12:00 PM

To: Kevin Martin; Jonathan Adelstein; Michael Copps; Deborah Tate

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

Honorable Kevin Martin
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Martin, Commissioners Adelstein, Copps and Tate:

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We should be encouraging more deaf people to use VRS. Deaf people use these services as part of their work and part of their lives. We urge you to do everything you can to make VRS and other relay services available to the many deaf people who do not currently know they are available.

FCC has mandated improvements in VRS, and we applaud those improvements. We urge you to provide adequate funding to support continued improvement to VRS, and to support outreach to more people in the deaf community.

Increase funding for VRS and other relay services, don't cut it.

Sincerely,
tara lee bautista

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From: Teresa Newman [lynniewolf@hotmail.com]

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To: Kevin Martin; Jonathan Adelstein; Michael Copps; Deborah Tate

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Thank you,

Teresa N.

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary**From:** rabeatty1@comcast.net**Sent:** Monday, May 29, 2006 9:19 PM**To:** Kevin Martin; Jonathan Adelstein; Michael Copps; Deborah Tate

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Larry Farovitch
lrfaro@comcast.net

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From: Lina Kogan [linak180@Gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2006 7:12 PM
To: Michael Copps
Subject: Thank you for the new VRS rules

April 18, 2006
Commissioner Michael Copps
445 12th St SW
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I am thrilled with the new VRS rules that the FCC passed to ensure that the service is brought closer to the goal of a functional equivalent telecommunications service. These rules will make our lives easier now that I can access the nation's telephone network using VRS, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and with a prompt response to my initial call. In addition, I look forward to using the VRS Mail feature to leave messages with my friends, family, and co-workers. I also look forward to new rules upgrading and enforcing the quality of captions on television.

However, I urge the FCC to continue to improve the speed of answer for VRS and to enforce FCC rules against blocking. I should be able to use any provider I want without interference from any other provider.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Lina Kogan
829 N 138th Cir
Omaha, NE 68154

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To: Michael Copps
Subject: Thank you for the new VRS rules

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To: Michael Copps
Subject: Require Relay Interoperability

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Teresa Kilby
111 Batley Ct
Fredericksburg, VA 22406

CC: Representative Jo Ann Davis
Senator John Warner

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Sent: Monday, April 17, 2006 6:22 PM
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Randy Gaffney
3505 Artesia Blvd Apt 9
Torrance, CA 90504

CC: Representative Jane Harman
Senator Dianne Feinstein

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CC: Representative Thomas Reynolds
Senator Charles Schumer

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Robert Taylor
15 Pinnie Hill Rd # 1
Epsom, NH 03234

CC: Representative Charles Bass
Senator Judd Gregg

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Patricia Powers
3804 W Olympic Ave
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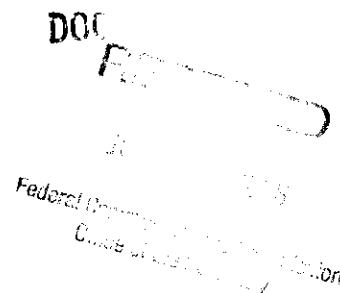
CC: Senator Patty Murray
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1225 1st St NE
St Petersburg, FL 33701

CC: Senator Mel Martinez
Representative C. Young

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Chelsea Tobin
12743 422nd Ave
Pierpont, SD 57468

CC: Senator Tim Johnson
NULL Stephanie Herseth

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CC: Representative Judy Biggert
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Sent: Monday, April 10, 2006 2:52 PM
To: Michael Copps
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Dear Commissioner Copps,

I was gratified to learn that the FCC is "actively considering" the issue of blocked access to video relay services (VRS). Please require interoperability and compatibility across Relay providers at the earliest possible date. I agree with the National Association of the Deaf that this rule should be required. See <http://www.nad.org/openrelay> for more information.

I want to be able to use Relay anytime with anyone, using any Relay provider, just as two hearing people can call each other regardless of who is their telephone product/service provider.

Video and IM Relay have become valuable tools for me. The traditional telephone (including TTY) is not practical for me. The use of Relay has made my work much more effective and I have become more productive. However, the value of Relay is limited because not everyone has access to my Relay product/service. Please end the exclusion of deaf and hard of hearing people from full access to telecommunications by requiring open interoperability and compatibility across Relay providers.

I do accept free Relay equipment and software from providers—not necessarily because I like a particular provider the most—but because it is free—and allows me to make calls I couldn't make before. While I appreciate the free equipment and software, I want to be able to make and receive Relay calls from anybody without any restrictions from Relay providers.

I look forward to the FCC acting quickly to implement rules ending blocking and requiring interoperability.

Sincerely,

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